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108TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION**S. 2408****[Report No. 108–370]**

To adjust the boundaries of the Helena, Lolo, and Beaverhead-Deerlodge
National Forests in the State of Montana.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 11, 2004

Mr. BURNS introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred
to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

SEPTEMBER 28, 2004

Reported by Mr. DOMENICI, with an amendment

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

A BILL

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head-Deerlodge National Forests in the State of Mon-
tana.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Montana National For-
5 ests Boundary Adjustment Act of 2004”.

1 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

2 In this Act:

3 (1) ~~FOREST.~~—The term “Forest” means the
4 Helena National Forest, Lolo National Forest, and
5 Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest in the State
6 of Montana.

7 (2) ~~MAP.~~—The term “map” means—

8 (A) the map entitled “Blackfoot Commu-
9 nity Project Acquisition Proposed Adjustments,
10 Helena National Forest Boundary” and dated
11 March 11, 2004;

12 (B) the map entitled “Blackfoot Commu-
13 nity Project Acquisition Region One, Lolo Na-
14 tional Forest Boundary” and dated March 11,
15 2004; and

16 (C) the map entitled “Blackfoot Commu-
17 nity Project Acquisition Proposed Adjustments,
18 Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest Bound-
19 ary Adjustment” and dated March 11, 2004.

20 (3) ~~SECRETARY.~~—The term “Secretary” means
21 the Secretary of Agriculture.

22 **SEC. 3. HELENA, LOLO, AND BEAVERHEAD-DEERLODGE NA-**
23 **TIONAL FORESTS BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT.**

24 (a) ~~IN GENERAL.~~—The boundaries of the Forests are
25 modified as depicted on the maps.

26 (b) ~~MAPS.~~—

1 (1) ~~AVAILABILITY.~~—The maps shall be on file
2 and available for public inspection in—

3 (A) ~~the Office of the Chief of the Forest~~
4 Service; and

5 (B) ~~the office of the Regional Forester,~~
6 Missoula, Montana.

7 (2) ~~CORRECTION AUTHORITY.~~—The Secretary
8 may make technical corrections to the maps.

9 (c) ~~ADMINISTRATION.~~—Any land or interest in land
10 acquired within the boundaries of the Forests for National
11 Forest System purposes shall be managed in accordance
12 with—

13 (1) ~~the Act of March 1, 1911 (commonly known~~
14 as the “Weeks Law”) (16 U.S.C. 480 et seq.); and

15 (2) ~~the laws (including regulations) applicable~~
16 to the National Forest System.

17 (d) ~~LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND.~~—For
18 purposes of section 7 of the Land and Water Conservation
19 Fund Act of 1965 (16 U.S.C. 4601–9), the boundaries
20 of the Forests, as adjusted under subsection (a), shall be
21 considered to be the boundaries of the Forests as of Janu-
22 ary 1, 1965.

23 (e) ~~EFFECT.~~—Nothing in this Act limits the author-
24 ity of the Secretary to adjust the boundaries of the Forests

1 under section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1911 (16 U.S.C.
2 521).

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 *This Act may be cited as the “Montana National For-*
5 *ests Boundary Adjustment Act of 2004”.*

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8 (1) *FORESTS.*—*The term “Forests” means the*
9 *Helena National Forest, Lolo National Forest, and*
10 *Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest in the State of*
11 *Montana.*

12 (2) *MAP.*—*The term “map” means—*

13 (A) *the map entitled “Helena National For-*
14 *est Boundary Adjustment Northern Region,*
15 *USDA Forest Service” and dated September 13,*
16 *2004;*

17 (B) *the map entitled “Lolo National Forest*
18 *Boundary Adjustment Northern Region, USDA*
19 *Forest Service” and dated September 13, 2004;*
20 *and*

21 (C) *the map entitled “Deerlodge National*
22 *Forest Boundary Adjustment Northern Region*
23 *USDA Forest Service” and dated September 13,*
24 *2004.*

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2 *the Forests, as adjusted under subsection (a), shall be con-*
3 *sidered to be the boundaries of the Forests as of January*
4 *1, 1965.*

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